

MINUTES
STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION
November 27, 2000
Phoenix, Arizona Department of Education

The Arizona State Board of Education held a regular meeting at the Education Building, Room 417, 1535 W. Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona. The meeting began at approximately 9:10 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Janet Martin, President
Todd Bankofier, Vice President
Lisa Graham Keegan, Executive Officer
Frank Alvarez
Mike File
Evangelina Conkie Hoover
Catherine Kasper
Dr. Clara Lovett
Dr. Wade McLean

MEMBERS ABSENT

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

BUSINESS REPORTS

President Martin reported.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Superintendent Graham Keegan reported.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Dr. Lovett reported.

BOARD MEMBER REPORT

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Martin asked if there was anyone who wished to address the Board at this time and there was no response.

CONSENT ITEMS

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item.
After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board approve the Consent Items as presented.

MOTION

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Mr. Alvarez seconded the motion.
Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: McLean).
The following items were approved:

Consideration to Approve Contract
Abstracts

CONTRACT ABSTRACTS

Consideration to Approve
Intergovernmental Agreements

INTERGOVERNMENTAL
AGREEMENTS

Consideration to Determine
Noncompliance with the USFRCS,
Mingus Mountain Academy

NONCOMPLIANCE WITH USFRCS,
MINGUS MOUNTAIN ACADEMY

Consideration to Accept Monies from
the Centers for Disease Control and
Prevention Grant Award

CENTER FOR DISEASE CONTROL
AND PREVENTION

GENERAL SESSION

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item.
Superintendent Keegan made the motion
that the Board approve an extension of
the hearing date for Greyhills Academy,
Noncompliance with the USFRCS until
the February 26, 2001 Board meeting.
Mr. Bankofier seconded the motion.
Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: McLean).

NONCOMPLIANCE WITH USFRCS,
GREYHILLS ACADEMY
MOTION

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. Dr.
Belletto from Ganado School District
addressed the Board. Superintendent
Keegan made the motion that the Board
release the appropriated sum of \$50,000
to Ganado School District. Mr.
Bankofier seconded the motion. Motion
carried 8-0 (Absent: McLean).

GANADO SCHOOL DISTRICT

MOTION

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Ms. Barclay introduced the item. Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board approve the amendment to the Charter contract for Valley Academy. Mr. File seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: McLean).

VALLEY ACADEMY
MOTION

Ms. Barclay introduced the item. Mr. Bankofier made the motion that the Board grant an extensions for signing a contract for Daisy Science Academy, Terra Nova Academy and C.O.U.L.D. Academy. Superintendent Keegan seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: McLean).

CHARTER SCHOOL CONTRACTS
MOTION

Ms. Barclay introduced the item. Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board approve issuance of a Charter to Learning Unlimited Charter School. Mr. Alvarez seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: McLean).

LEARNING UNLIMITED CHARTER
SCHOOL
MOTION

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board accept the recommendation of the appointments subcommittee. Mr. Alvarez seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: McLean). The following individuals were appointed to the Character Education Committee: Patricia Doran; Kelley Cordes; Tammy Linn; Penny Kotterman; Glenn Deibert; Margaret Mai; and Jennifer Eberhart-Baker.

CHARACTER EDUCATION
COMMITTEE
MOTION

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Dr. Orr introduced the item. After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board add a second avenue by which high school students can pass the writing portion of the AIMS assessment. A student has the option of scoring 500 or above and "Meet the Standard" or "Exceeds the Standard" on the overall AIMS writing test, or a student scores a "4" or above on the two-page essay and scores within the "Approaches the Standard" category for the overall writing portion of AIMS. Ms. Hoover seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: Lovett).

ARIZONA'S INSTRUMENT TO
MEASURE STANDARDS (AIMS)
MOTION

Dr. Orr introduced the item. After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board suspend the requirement to pass AIMS in a specified content area to earn high school diploma for Special Education high school students whose IEPs specify out-of-level testing in that area, to continue administering out-of-level tests to high school students if specified in the IEP in the Spring of each year and place the highest scores of the out-of-level tests on the students transcripts; to suspend fall testing for Special Education high school students whose IEPs specify out-of-level testing; and require high school Special Education students who test on-level to meet the performance requirements as stated in their IEPs in order to qualify for a high school diploma. Mr. Alvarez seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

ARIZONA'S INSTRUMENT TO
MEASURE STANDARDS (AIMS)
MOTION

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Dr. Orr introduced the item. After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board exempt students from the requirement to pass AIMS in reading and writing members who are in the class of 2002 if they successfully complete the school, district and state graduation requirements on or before the conclusion of their sixth semester (Spring 2001). Mr. Alvarez seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: Lovett).

ARIZONA'S INSTRUMENT TO
MEASURE STANDARDS (AIMS)
MOTION

Mr. Emanuel introduced the item. After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board accept the recommendation of the PPAC and approve certification for Joseph Curry. Dr. McLean seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: Lovett).

CERTIFICATION CASE NO. 09-07-17,
JOSEPH CURRY
MOTION

Mr. Emanuel introduced the item. After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board accept the recommendation of the PPAC and approve certification for La Tonya Jones. Mr. Alvarez seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0 (Absent: Lovett).

CERTIFICATION CASE NO. 99-08-32,
LATOYA JONES
MOTION

Mr. Emanuel introduced the item. After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board accept the recommendation of the PPAC and deny certification for Marilyn Ruben. Mr. Bankofier seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-2 (No: Alvarez, Martin).

CERTIFICATION CASE NO. 00-07-07,
MARILYN RUBEN
MOTION

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Mr. Emanuel introduced the item. After discussion, Mr. Bankofier made the motion that the Board accept the voluntary surrender of teaching certificates of Doris DeWolf and that all states and territories be notified. Mr. File seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

CERTIFICATION CASE NO. C-99-44,
SBE VS. DORIS DEWOLF
MOTION

Mr. Emanuel introduced the item. After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board accept the voluntary surrender of teaching certificates of Scott Flood and that all states and territories be notified. Mr. File seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

CERTIFICATION CASE NO. C-99-10,
SBE VS. SCOTT FLOOD
MOTION

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board deny the request to reconsider the previous decision for Mr. Inserra. Mr. Bankofier seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

CERTIFICATION CASE NO. C-99-47,
SBE VS. JOSEPH INSERRA
MOTION

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. After discussion, Dr. McLean made the motion that the Board approve the request of reconsideration for David Mark. Superintendent Keegan seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

CERTIFICATION CASE NO. 05-01-01,
DAVID MARK
MOTION

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. After discussion, Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board deny the request to reconsider the previous decision for Andrew Grey. Mr. Bankofier seconded the motion. Motion carried 8-0 (Abstain: Lovett).

CERTIFICATION CASE NO. 99-08-25,
ANDREW GREY

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Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board go into executive session for legal advice. Mr. Bankofier seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

MOTION

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board return to general session. Mr. Bankofier seconded the motion. Motion carried 9-0.

MOTION

PUBLIC HEARING

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. After discussion Dr. McLean made the motion that the Board adopt the proposed amendments to R7-2-601 through R7-2-617, Certification Requirements. Dr. Lovett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0 (Absent: Bankofier, File, Keegan).

R7-2-601 THROUGH R7-2-617,
RELATED TO CERTIFICATION
MOTION

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. Bob Jones, Greg Donovan, Jack Lunsford, John Wright, Peggy Story, Mary Koury, Sandy Cooper, Bill Wilhelm, and Domonic Salce addressed the Board. After discussion Dr. Lovett made the motion that the Board close the record on amendments to R7-2-601 through R7-2-617. Dr. McLean seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0 (Absent: Bankofier, File, Keegan).

R7-2-601 THROUGH R7-2-617,
RELATED TO CERTIFICATION

MOTION

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. Mr. Condos and Mr. Gordon addressed the Board regarding Grand Canyon Charter School in Noncompliance with the USFRCS.

NONCOMPLIANCE WITH USFRCS,
GRAND CANYON CHARTER
SCHOOL

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Mr. Alvarez made the motion that the Board grant an extension for Grand Canyon Charter School until January 22, 2001 Board meeting. Dr. Lovett seconded the motion. Motion carried 6-0 (Absent: Bankofier, File, Keegan).

MOTION

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. Ms. Ludwig addressed the Board. Mr. Alvarez made the motion that the Board grant an extension for Copper Canyon Charter School until the January 22, 2001 Board meeting. Dr. Lovett seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0 (Absent: Bankofier, Keegan).

NONCOMPLIANCE WITH USFRCS,
COPPER CANYON CHARTER
SCHOOL
MOTION

MINUTES

Ms. Velasquez introduced the item. Superintendent Keegan made the motion that the Board approve the minutes as presented for October 23, 2000 and November 2, 2000. Dr. McLean seconded the motion. Motion carried 7-0 (Absent: Alvarez, Bankofier).

MOTION

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Martin adjourned the meeting at approximately 3:15 p.m.

Approved by the State Board of Education on January 29, 2001.

Janet Martin, President

Lisa Graham Keegan, Executive Officer